

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Substitute for Senate Bill No. 575, Pages 15 and
2 16, Section 208.952, Lines 1 through 33, by removing all of said section from the bill; and
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4 Further amend said bill, Page 16, Section 210.153, Lines 6 through 9, by deleting all of said lines
5 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
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7 "their members shall objectively decide whether a preponderance of evidence establishes that the
8 individual is responsible for child abuse or neglect, and shall make decisions based only on the facts
9 presented to the board. The boards and their members shall be independent of any control or
10 interference in their deliberations by the division. The boards shall act independently of the division
11 so as to assure that due process of the law is afforded to all parties involved in the proceedings. This
12 section shall not be construed to prohibit the department of social services or the children's division
13 from providing any training or administrative support to the boards."; and
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15 Further amend said bill and section, Page 17, Line 25, by deleting all of said line and inserting in lieu
16 thereof the following:
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18 "same political party as the governor. This requirement shall be effective for all nominations made
19 after August 28, 2014."; and
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21 Further amend said bill, section, and page, Lines 26 and 27 by deleting all of said lines and inserting
22 in lieu thereof the following:
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24 "[4.] 3. The following persons may participate [in a child abuse and neglect review board
25 review] in review proceedings before the board."; and
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27 Further amend said bill and section, Pages 17 and 18, Lines 33 through 64 by deleting all of said
28 lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
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30 "(3) Witnesses providing information on behalf of the child, the alleged perpetrator or the
31 department. [Witnesses] Such persons shall only be allowed to attend that portion of the review in
32 which they are presenting information;

33 4. The members of the board shall serve without compensation, but shall receive
34 reimbursement for reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the performance of their
35 duties.

36 [6.] 5. All records and information compiled, obtained, prepared or maintained by the child

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1 abuse and neglect review board in the course of any review shall be confidential information.

2 [7.] 6. The department shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the operation of the
3 child abuse and neglect review board except as otherwise provided for in this section. These rules
4 and regulations shall, at a minimum, [describe the length of terms], describe the selection of the
5 chairperson, confidentiality, notification of parties and time frames for the completion of the review.

6 [8.] 7. Findings [of probable cause to suspect prior to August 28, 2004, or findings] by a
7 preponderance of the evidence [after August 28, 2004,] of child abuse and neglect by the division
8 which are substantiated by court adjudication shall not be heard by the child abuse and neglect
9 review board.

10 8. No current employee of the department of social services shall serve on the board."; and

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12 Further amend said bill, Page 27, Section 650.120, Lines 76, by deleting the words "as of the
13 effective date of this act" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "on August 28, 2014"; and

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15 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
16 accordingly.